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TO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON FIRE FIGHTING AIRCRAFT FOR LEBANON

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1. WE HAVE ASKED DOD TO CHECK WHETHER THERE ARE U.S. MILITARY AIRCRAFT WITH FIREFIGHTING CAPABILITY IN NEAR EASTERN AREA WHICH COULD BE BROUGHT IN TO HELP FIGHT JOUNIE BAY FIRE IF GOL SO REQUESTED. WILL LET YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS ASAP.
2. MEANWHILE WE ARE INFORMED BY COMMERCE DEPARTMENT THAT ONLY AIRCRAFT ESPECIALLY MANUFACTURED FOR FIREFIGHTING IS CL-215, PRODUCED BY CANADAIR LIMITED, P. O. BOX 6087, MONTREAL 101, QUEBEC, TELEPHONE 514-744-1511 (CANADAIR IS SUBSIDIARY OF GENERAL DYNAMICS). THIS CRAFT IS CALLED "WATER BOMBER"; IT IS PONTOON CRAFT THAT SCOOPS UP LARGE QUANTITY OF WATER FROM LAKE OR SEA FOR DROPPING ON FIRE.
3. AVIATION SPECIALTIES, INC, 4930 EAST FALCON DRIVE, MESA, ARIZONA IS KNOWN TO HAVE REFITTED VARIOUS WORLD WAR II TYPE AIRCRAFT FOR FIREFIGHTING. IF GOL IS INTERESTED THEY MIGHT CONTACT THIS FIRM BOTH TO FIND OUT IF IT HAS CRAFT WHICH COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO FIGHT JOUNIE BAY FIRE AND TO INQUIRE ABOUT POSSIBLE FUTURE PURCHASE. PHONE NUMBER UNCLASSIFIED

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IS 402-832-0600.

4. IN ADDITION TO FOREGOING, FOLLOWING IS LIST OF US
COMPANIES WHICH MANUFACTURE AGRICULTURAL AIRCRAFT WHICH

MIGHT BE USED OR ADAPTED FOR FIREFIGHTING:

A. GRUMMAN AIRCRAFT

WALLACE P. NETH

P. O. BOX 2321

ARLINGTON VA. 22202 (PHONE: 703-521-2046)

(DISTRIBUTORS OF AIRCRAFT INTERNATIONAL AG-CAR)

B. ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL

MR. EDWARD M. OWEN

1730 PENNSYLVANIA AVE., N. W.

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20006 (PHONE: 202-785-6900)

C. CESSNA AIRCRAFT

MR. JERRY POHLEN

1800 NORTH KENT ST.

ARLINGTON, VA. 22209 (PHONE: 703-524-8030)

D. PIPER AIRCRAFT CORP.

JOHN KENT, MANAGER, INTERNATIONAL SALES

LOCHHAVEN, PENN. 17745 (PHONE: 717-748-6711) INGERSOLL

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